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Cc: Carolyn Partridge; Leslie Goldman

Subject: [External] Citizen Concern about Redistricting map drafts

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Dear Redistricting Committee

I am a resident of the small town of Athens, VT in Windham County. Up until now, we've had GREAT representation by Carolyn and Leslie (cc'ed). They've been our champions, and responsive to our needs. This is especially so because me and other residents have a bond with Rockingham and Windham areas. It's where we grocery shop, go to farmer's markets in, go to the gym at, open up our businesses in.

While we have connections to Grafton through the elementary school, we have NO recognizable commercial or social relationship with Chester. Our residents don't rely on Chester for our town center. We rely on Rockingham or Townshend (Windham area). To be placed in a district with such a large town that we don't engage with like Chester will effectively drown out the voices in our town.

I urge the Committee to keep us in a district with our neighbor Windham County towns like Rockingham and/or Windham. And to not put us in a district with Chester.

Thank you for your thoughtful consideration.

~Wichie~

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